

(c) The enforcement of the provisions of the Act and Rules rests primarily with the authorized officers of the State Governments/Union Territories. The above position was intimated to all State Governments / Union Territories with the request that the authorized officers might be advised accordingly so as to avoid unnecessary inconvenience to the cable operators.

Seismic Zone Map to guide structural engineers and architects

***66. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN:** Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that country has been mapped into five different seismic zones depending on the seismic risk and certain standards including IS 1893 and IS 486 have been put in place to guide structural engineers, developers and the architects to determine the location of the city or an area corresponding to the seismic zone; and

(b) if so, whether the guidelines contained there in are being implemented, and if not so far, whether this will be done now so that damage to dwelling units on account of earthquakes could be contained to a large extent?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The guidelines regarding construction of safer houses were communicated to the State Governments in May, 1998. They have also been reminded to comply with these guidelines. This Ministry has subsequently sent telegrams to all States/UTs for early action on the Ministry's advice. The Minister for Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation is also holding a meeting of all State Ministers concerned with the subject so that the matter could be reviewed at the national level and necessary impetus given for effective follow up action.

In respect of Delhi, a public notice to amend the building bye-laws suitably to conform strictly to the BIS codes/guidelines has since been published.

Other States are expected to take suitable action. The Government would now pursue this matter with the State Governments more vigorously.

ST status to Gaddies and Gujjars in Himachal Pradesh

***67. SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI:** Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether opinion of expert bodies to grant Scheduled Tribe status to Gaddies and Gujjars of the areas merged with Himachal Pradesh has since been received;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor with steps to be taken to get the same expedited?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The concerned agencies have been reminded to expedite their reports.

Fees payable to global advisors

*68. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to refer to reply to part (b) of Unstarred Question 821 given in the Rajya Sabha on 31st July, 2000 and state the fees payable to each one of the global advisors for disinvestment of the PSUs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): A Statement indicating the fees payable to the advisors is enclosed (See below).

The fees payable to the advisors generally consist of two components. The first component is called "success fee" which is fixed percentage of the gross proceeds to be received by the Government from the disinvestments. Since it is directly linked with the amount of money realisable from disinvestments, it serves as an incentive to the advisor to get the best price from disinvestments. It ranges from 0.29% to 1%.

The other component of the fee is called 'drop dead fee' which is a lumpsum amount payable to the advisor only in the event of the transaction being called off by the Government.

The fees for specific transactions vary from transaction to transaction depending on various factors like nature of disinvestment, total realisable value from disinvestments, quantum of work required to complete the transaction, degree of difficulty and chances of success of the transaction etc. Further, Consultants appointed for disinvestments through joint venture route are given flat/fixed/lumpsum fee/asset valuation fee/out of pocket expenditure depending on the different criteria.